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EXCURSIONS, PICNICS, &c. COURTH OF JULY,

FORT WASHINGTON. Will make two trips, leaving at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m; returning at 3 and 10 p.m. Suitable for families, as there is no bar on the boat or grounds.
Tickets 25 cents; Children 10 cent;-good on eith-r trip.

GRAND COMBINATION PICNIC, to be given by the GERMAN CATHOLIC OF BENEVOLENT SOCIE TES, for the benefit of ST. JOSEPH'S CHUE, HANDS HOOL, AND GERGE JUPNNMANN'S PLEASURE LANGUAGE, SOCIETA, admitting a Gentleman and Ladies, 50 cents.

MPORTANT TO RICHMOND EXCUR-SIONISTS - The ST. CLAIRE HOTEL, corner of 9th and Grace streets, and f onting on the Cacirol Square, will furnish DINNER to Excursionists to the City of Richmond on the 4th of July, 1877, at 50 cents per person. Fare strictly first class. S. HENTER. 192 2t DR. E. S. PENDLETON. Proprietors.

ALOSTAN ISLAND.—A grand PICALOSTAN ISLAND.—A grand PICNIC will be given, day and evening, at ANALOSTAN, by the Proprietor, P. McLAUGHLIN. Pro: Gibner's String and Brase Band
has been engaged for this occasion, Grand Ulumination and Fire Works. Ample police arrangements made. Ferry Steamer Virginia leaves High
street wharf every ten minutes.

192 3t* O, FOR A GLORIOUS FOURTH! BALTIMORE AND HOLLY GROVE!

The Baltimore and Ohio railroad will run three

pecial trains to Baltimore leave Washington at S. B. 300 (et al. 1982) and 10 a. m. Special arrange leave have been made with the Maryland Steamboat the mis have been made with the Maryland second of Company to carry passengers to Holly Grove every pure. R und-trip tickets to Baitimore, \$1.40, to be had at the depot and principal horels. Tickets to Ioil, Grove 40 cents extra, to be had on the cars. EXCURSION TO HARPERS' FERRY JULY 4TH

Limited to 300 persons. Round trip, S1 25 Train l-aves B & O. deput at 7:50 a.m. je30-3t FOURTH OF JULY EXCURSION AND
BASKET PICNIC
FIRST CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY
SCHOOL to WHITE BOUSE LANDING.

Leave 6th street wharf at 8:3' a. m. in Steamer JANE MOSELEY, remining arrive at 7% p. m.

Tickets limited—to be had at Grecery Store of J.

Johnson & Co., Masonic Temple, and of members is 20.3th NINTH ANNUAL PICNIC OF THE will be given at Green Springs, JULY 4th, 23 Chariots leave the corner of High and Bridge streets every ten minutes for the Tickets 25 cts. Grand Display of Fireworks in he evening.
Dancing to commence at 12 o'clock.
Executive Committee—G. J. Killian, W.P. Smith,
L.B. Ehrmannfraut, P. Taverner. DURTH OF JULY, 1877.

The fine Steamer

OF ST. JOSEPH, No 1.

A Beyers' 7th Street Park, on WEDNESDAY,
The Pavillion has been enlarged, making it to largest and coolest Dancing Pavillion in the District.

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Town AC, leaving 7th street whar town MONDAYS and FRIPAYS, at 6.30 model of clock p.m., returning about 10:30 o'cool. pe District. Prof. Pistorio's Celebrated Band has been righted. Dancing to commence at 12 o'clock t Tickets, 25 cts each.' THE PALATIAL BARGE COCKADE

CITY, (Captain Harper,) Will make a trip Down the River
EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON,
Leaving the wharf at 3 p. m. sharp, returning at 8.
Tickets 25 ets.; children 10 cts.
No Ear on board.

For charter apply to J. BRADLEY ADAMS, Secretary. TOURTH OF JULY EXCURSION

MOUNT VERNON. The Steamer ARROW will make two trips to Mt. iron on July 4th, leaving 7th street harf at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., and remaining at 4 and 8 p.m., promptly, given parties an opportunity of spending a whole day this leantiful place. This is the only beat which is allowed to land esengers a Mount Vernon wharf. ound trip \$1, including admission to Mansion Grounds. Capt. FRANK HOLLINGSHEAD. JULY FOURTH.

GRAND PICNIC ST. PETER'S CONGREGATION,
At
SCHUETZEN PARK. Seventh 8 reet Boad,
WEDNESDAY, July 4, 1877.

tercises to commence at 9 a. m.
ckets. 25 cents.
Cars to and from the Park to all parts of the **Competition for the Prizes in Bowling and Shoting open to all, je30-3t* OURTH OF JULY EXCURSION TO e Steamer ARLINGTON, Capt. H. F. Duty, wileave 6th street what for the able place at 6 a. m. returning at a semable hour in the evening. A Strig Baud will furnish music for dancing. Tickets fortentiemen \$1; ladies Suc. 1929 4t* CURSION TO THE GREAT FALLS OF THE POTOMAC Te LADIES OF WESLEY CHAPEL will give

of My. A boat has been fitted up for te occasion, affording 2.0 deck seats, with comfortile cabins for protection against the weather. The loat will leave the Aqueduct Bridge, Georgetowns 7 o clock a. m. sharp; returning will leave the Mils at 5 p. m. the alls at 5 p. m.
Tidets \$1—for sale at Robinson's Store, 909
Fs. me., and Robert Cohen, 630 Pa ave. Pertus taking the Chariot line can be conveyed to the oat for lects. or from the terminus of the aven car line to the boat for 5 etc., returning at he due rates.

**Coffee and Refreshments provided. j29 4t*

SINDAY-EXCURSION. Til steamer MATTANO, Captain Wm. H. Byles, will tvery Sunday during the summer seash make a trip down the river, stoping at Marshail Hail two hours, and efferning at 9:30 p m to this city.

The steamer leaves 6th street wharf at 3:30 p. m.

Fife, round trip, 25 cents. round trip, 25 cents.

W.M. H. KILLEMON, Agent.

GIAND FOURTH OF JULY EXCURSION TO FINEY POINT, MD,
On us splending steamer CHARLOTTE VANDE SBILL, leaving her wharf at 7th st. at
8:30 usesday evening, July 3d, reaching hney Point at 7 a. m. July 4th.
Returning, will leave at 9 p. m., reaching home at 6
a. m. Tickets for the trip (timited in number) only
\$114 to be had at Drew s Drug Store, corser Pennsylvatia avenue and 9th street Stateroom and
berti accommodations at the usual rates. Break
fast in the boat and dinner at the hotel at Piney fast in the boat and dinner at the hotel at Piney Poin, first class. Splendid bathing and fishing. First class accommodations. Buy tickets early to prevent disappointment. pe28-5t

#! FOR POINT LOOKOUT! The elegant Steamer (HABLOTTE VANDERBILT,

CAPI. C. F. ENTWISLE,

Will make an

EXCURSION TO PINEY POINT, MARSHALL
AND POINT LOOKOUT. SATURDAY, June 23.

Leavelth street wharf at 8:30 p. m., and return about
6 o'clock a. m. Monday. Fare, round trip, only
\$1.50. Accommodations first-class. This boat can
be chartered for excursions. be chartered for excursions. NOTICE TO MOUNT VERNON PASSENGERS.
The teamer ABROW, Capt. Frank Hollingshead,
is the chip boat allowed to land passengers as Mount Vernon wharf. Pasbengerataking this steamer (which is
connected with the Ladies' Mount Vernon Association) swid riding in ambulances three miles, as by
other lines.

other lines.

Roundtrip, \$1, including admission to Mansion Steamerjeaves 7th street wharf daily, (Sunday excepted,) at 10 a. m., and returns about 4 p. m.
J. McH. HOLLINGSWORTH,
Stpt. Ladies' Mount Vernon Association.
PRANK HOLLINGSHEAD, Str. Arrow. jel6-3m

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS BEMOOD HIS OFFICE from No. 701 15th street BOOM 29. COROURAN BUILDING, oppool U.S. Treasury. He will devote himself excially to making and procuring Leans of Mone on the security of real estate, and will exerce particular care in all cases to make judicious and afe investments, having due regard to the validit of title and the sufficiency of security. The intests of borrower as well as lender will be duly precede. Fiduciary trusts of moderate magnitude scepted. Several large sums in present addines to be loaned on acceptable property.

JOHN BULL.

jet-Im Room 29. Concoran Building. NEW ROUTE TO MOUNT VERNON. The new use and commodious steamer MARY WASHINGTON is now carrying passengers to Mt.Vernon, and furnishing carriages to transport them to the mansion By this route persons avoid a hot walk up mansion By this route persons avoid a hot walk up a long hill. The distance is one-and-a-half miles, not three. Leaves 7th street wharf every day (Sun-day excepted) at 9:30 a.m. and returns about 4 o'clock. Fare \$1, including admission and carrisge ride to and from the mansion. SECOND-HAND CLOTHING, FURNITURE, CARPETS, BEDDING, OILCLOTHS, and Goods of every description bought, and the highest cash prices paid. Orders by mail promptly attended to.

B. COLMAN & C.J., oct15-ly Corner 10th street and Penn'a avenue.

Ho! FOR PINEY POINT, FORT MONBOS. NORFULK AND THE CAPES.
The splendid Steamer JANE MOSELEY will resume by SATURDAY
NIGHT TRIPS to the above points.
Commencing SATURDAY EVENING, 16th inst.,
at 8 o'clock, returning, will arrive in Washington
Monday morning, about 6 o'clock.
Fare, round trip to the ey Point. 3159. To all other
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Bank at once and secure your Stateroom for this delightful trip
Good Caterer employed. Piano on board.
1 jell-3m
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EXCURSIONS, PICNICS, &c.

FOURTH OF JULY EXCURSIONS TO

Fourth of July the Steamer JANE MOSELEY will leave 6th street wharf for Glymont at 9 a. m. and 2 p. m.; returning leave Glymont at 12 m. and 10 p. m.

Steamer JOHN W. THOMPSON will leav 6th street wharf for Glymont at 4% p. m.; returning at 8 p. m.

Sp m. LAUY OF THE LAKE will take passengers to

A Band of Music for dancing engaged.

I are round trip, 50 cents: good on either d the

A Band of Music 1 to cents: good on either agree round trip, 50 cents: good on either safe round trip, 50 cents: good on either presidents.

HO! FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY!

THREE TRIPS.

The favorite steamer MATTANO, Captain will.

H. Byies, will leave 6th street wharf
Fourth of July at 9 o'clock a. m., 2
o'clock p. m. and 6:30 p. m., for Mar
shall Hall; returning, will arrive in Washington at
lo'clock p. m., 5 o'clock p. m. and 10 p. m. A fine
brass and string band will add to the pleasure of the

brass and string band will add to the pleasure of the encursionists during the entire day at this cod and delightful place. Every effort will be made to make these trips pleasant and attractive to those who wish to spend a pleasant day away from the heat and dust of the cuty. Fare, round trip, 50 cents.

je28 5t WM. H. KILLMON, Agent.

GRAND FOURTH OF JULY EXCUR-

The MABY WASHINGTON will make three

tries during the day to MOUNT VERNON SPRINGS and MAR

SHALL HALL.
Carriages will be in waiting at the Springs to convey persons to Mount Vernon Mansion. Fare only fifty cents for the round trip, and privings of returning on any trip.
The boat leaves the foot of 7th street at 8 glolock in the morning and 1 and 6 o'cik in the evening je27

DERSONS DESIRING A DELIGITFUL

The fast Steamer JOHN W. THOMPSON will leave foot of 6th street, Washington, at 43% o'clock p. m on WEDNES DAY, FRIDAY and SUNDAY, landing at Glymont. Passage, round trip. 25 lents. je25 SAM. BACON, President.

make semi-week'y trips down the PO-TOMAC, leaving 7th street whar MONDAYS and FRIPAYS, at 6:30 o'clock p.m., returning about 10:30 o'cock p.m. Tickets, 50 Cents; Children, half price. aturdays

PINEY POINT AND POINT LOGIOUT,

leaving 7th street wharf at 8.30 p. m., eurning Monday about 6 o'clock a. m. Ticket. \$1.50 round trip. For state rooms and berths squire on board. The steamer can be chartered or excur-

THE STEAMER MATTANO ON BE

DOINT LOOKOUT EXCURSION.-The

POINT LOOKOUT EXCURSIOIS.—The splendid from Steamer 'SUE,"
Capt. W. C. Geoghegan, will resume her SATURDAY EVENING TRIPS to Piney Point, Marshall's and Point Lokout, on SATURDAY, June 16. Fare only \$2 mind trip, All accommodations first class. Leave Sphenson's wharf, foot of 7th street, every Saturdayst 8 p. m., and returning arrive in Washington Moday morning at 6 o'clock. For state rooms and tuner information apply to Stephenson & Bro., 7th steet wharf, or at office, 1218 Fennsylvania avenue.

jeg-3m STEPHENSON & BRO. Agents.

ON TO RICHMOND!

GRAND FOURTH OF JULY EXURSION

of WAUGH M. E CHURCH.

Trains leave Baltimore and

Peromac depot at 6 a m, and

Richmond (in return) at 6 p m, taking bout five hours each way. Round trip \$2 25, less han one
fourth the regular fare. See posters. ;el8-td*

LYCEUM BUREAU EXCURSINS.

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THIRD SEASON.
STEAMER MARY WASHINGTN.
Regular Trips EVERY WEDNESAY.
Leave 7th street wharf at 6 p. m.; returns 11 p. m.
The following organizations will join in the above Excur-ions, on the dates named. All who desire to aid the m must purchase tickets of their memers:
Vermont avenue Christian Church, Jiy 11, day and evening: Ladies Mite Society, 4th seet southeast M. E. Church, July 18, day and eveng. je2-3m

CARLIN SPRINGS FOR RENTTO SUN DAY SCHOOLS AND CHURCH'ARTIES Apply at No. 315 12th street southwest je20 2w. J. E. F. ARLIN.

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EXCURSION.

WAMILY EXCURSIONS.

THE "DEPARTMENTAL DOZEN"

The favorite steamer MATTANO, Captain Wm.

je29-4t

WASHINGTON, D. C., TUESDAY, JULY 3, 1877.

SPECIAL NOTICES. THE MRS. R. B. HAYES TEMPER-ANCE SOCIETY meets TO NIGHT at 311

O STREET MARKET WILL BE OPENED on TURSDAY, July 3d, from 12 o'clock a. m. COLUMBIA TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION,
No. 101 - A special meeting of the Union
will be held in St. Joseph's Hall, corner of H and
5th streets B. w. THIS EVENING at So'clock
It FRANK A. RHODERICK, Rec. Sec.

The twenty-second (224) regular monthly meeting of the HAMILTON BUILDING ASCOCI ATION for the payment of due; and advances o money will be held at Davis' hall, No. 615 7th st., GRAND FAMILY PICNIC

AT GIESBOB.

On the FOUBTH OF JULY, for the Benefit of ST.

DOMINIC'S CHURCH.

Tickets (including round trip on ferry boat) 0 cts.

Boats will leave 7th-st, wharf every balf-hour, day and night. Good music has been engaged. money will be held at Davis' hall. No. 615 7th st on FRIDAY, 6th instant. at 8 o clock p. m. B. H. WARNER, President JOHN A. PRESCOTT, Secretary. jy3-2t

PROFESSOR JOHN M. LANGSTON will address a sabbath School gathering July 4th. 1877, at HOWARD PARK. Subject: "Moral and Religious Elements in Education." jy2 2t"

The Eastern Market will be opened on TUESDAY,
July 3d, from 1 o'clock p. m. to 10 p. m., and will be
closed on WEDNESDAY, July 4th, 1877. jy2 2c. OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL UNION
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
The annual meet ng of the Stockholders of the
National Union Insurance Company, of Washington will be held at the Office of the Company, No
643 Louisiana avegue, of MONDAY, July 26h,
1877, for the purp see of electing Nine Directors.
Polls open from 1 to 2 o'clock p. m
192 did NOBLE D LARNER. Secretary.

VETERANS OF MEXICAN WAR.—The survivers of 1846 are reque ted to assemble at 1115 Penersylvania avenue, at 11 o'clock, on the morning of the FOURTH OF JULY, and proceed to the City Hall, upon invitation of the "Oidest In-babitants' Association," to unite with the Veterans of 1812 in association, "to unite with the Veterans of 1812 in association," to unite with the Veterans of 1812 in association of the day. By of 1812, in appropriate recognition of the day. By order of J. W. DENVER, President. A. M. KENADAY, Secretary. jy2-2t* ROAD COMPANY, July 2, 1877.—Notice is he ety given to stockholders in this company that the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND OF ONE DOLLAR PER SHARE on the earnings of the last WM. W. MOOKE. Secretary.

BY ARE OF the earnings of the last saix months which dividend is payable at this office from and after this date.

J. W. THOMPSON, President.

jy2-3t

will give a Select
MOONLIGHT EXCURSION TO MARSHALL HALL,
TUESDAY, JULY 30, 1877.
The Steamer "Mary Washington" will cave her wharf, foot of 7th street, at 7 p. m.
Tickets to be had of the Committee. | e26 7t* NORTHERN LIBERTY MARKET will be OPEN on JULY 4 14 from 4 to 8 a.m. to enable the public to obtain fresh meats, vege ables, &c. No market Tuesquy. 1630-31 WASHINGTON MARKET. change from the depressing heat of the city, can enjoy an hour and a half stide on the Fotomac river, to Alexandria and return, any day during he week, for 15 cents, on the boats of the Fotomac ferry Co. Children under ten years of age free. The boats leave Washington for Alexandria and vice versa hourly, from 7:30 a. m. to 7:30 p. m., and for the last trip at 8 p m. The trips at 4:30, 5:30, 6:30130 a. m. are especially refreshing and invigorating, je25-lm

The WASHINGTON MARKET will be open TURSDAY MORNI°G, July 3d, 1877, as usual; also during the EVENING from 5 to 10 o'clock. This Market will be closed July 4th.

je30-3t

P. S. SMITH, Clerk. The third meeting will take place at St. Dominic's hall, corner 6th and F streets sw., THURSDAY EVENING, July 5. Subscriptions for stock received

by any of the officers or direc ors.

SAM'L H. WIMSATT, President. SAM'L H. WIMSATT, President.

J. J. DEBMODY, Secretary.

NEW BUILDING ASSOCIATION.—The fourth meeting of the "NORTH WESTERN" will be held at the Board of Trade Rooms, corner Pennsylvania avenue and 9th street, on TUESDAY EVENING, July 3d, 1877.

This is the most successful association of the year. Don't fail to sub-cribe, as the stock will be at a premium as soon as the books are closed

JOHN E. THOMPSON, President.

JOHN COOK, Secretary.

je30-3t

ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE.

The SOCIETY OF THE OLDEST INHABITANTS of the District of Columbia will celebrate this day in the City Hali at 12 o'clock m., where Jas. Goddard will read the Declaration of Independence and Horario N. Easey deliver an oration.

The surviving soldiers of the War of 1812 and of the Mexican War will honor the occasion by their presence. The public is respectfully invited to attend, and the patriotic ladies are included in this invitation. EDWARD SIMMS, je30-3t Chairman of the Com. of Avrangements

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the ANACOSTIA AND POTOMAC BIVEB RAILBOAD CO. will be held at Room 1. St. Cloud Building, 9th and F streets northwest, MONDAY, July 9th. An election of nine Directors will take place. Polis open from 2 until 4 p. m. L. WM GUINAND, President. H. A. GBISWOLD, Sec'y. jel9-20t TE CHIENTAL CHEAM.

Cantron to the Drug Trade and Ladies of the South:

It having come to my knowledge that a base imitation of Dr. T. Felix Gourand's Oriental Cream or Magical Beautifier is being sent out at a reduced price, this is to caution dealers and consumers. The genuine article is put up only in the same style, label, size, bottle, &c., as by my late husband for the last thirty years. Venders of the bogus article will be prosecuted. Consumers need only be put on their guard.

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OFFICE-STAR BUILDING. D. McFABLAN, Dentist,
1340 NEW YORK AVENUE.
Not New Jersey avenue, as erroneously printed in
Boyd's Directory for 1877. OPTICIAN. ... 1 00

First premium awarded to me by the Great World's Fair, in Philadelphia, on my invented and patented EYEJLASS, manufactured in Gold, Silver and Frameless, with genuiue Brazilus Pebbles. Also, on hand a large variety of SPECTACLES, OPERA GLASSES, MICRO-ECOPES and SHADES for the Eves, &c.

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> Colored Worsted, \$2.75 and \$3 per lb.
> Germantown Wool, at \$1.75 and \$2 per lb., at CH. RUPPERT'S,

Headquarters. No. 403 7th street northwest. FIZ! POP! Headquarters for FIREWORKS At J. A. EDGAR'S Grocery Store, N. W. cor. 8th and East Capitol Streets. Full assortment. Cheap. 1-29 4t* DURE SODA WATER

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EVENING STAR.

Washington News and Gossip.

GOVERNMENT, RECEIPTS TO-DAY .- Internal revenue, \$284,301; customs, \$303,938 48. NATIONAL BANK NOTES received for redemption to-day amounted to \$355,000.

THE PLYMOUTH arrived at Port Royal on the 1st inst. THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT intended to issue late this afternoon a bond call for a least ten million, on account of the new four

per cent. bonds taken by the syndicate. GEN. FRENCH, for a long time commanding officer of the 21 artillery, has been promot d colonel of the 4th artillery, vice Gen

Rober s, reffred. AMONG THE CALLERS at the White House this morning were Senators Wadleigh and Patterson: Representative Bridge; Commissioner of Internal Revenue Raum, and General Sheridan of New Orleans.

A YEAR'S COINAGE .- The following is the official statement of the coinage of the U.S. mints during the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1877: Gold, \$44,678,199; trade dollar, \$9,162,900; subsidiary, \$19,387,935; minor, \$62,165. Total, 872,690,539

THE REGULAR CABINET MEETING WAS held to-day, all the members present except Secretaries Sherman and McCrary. The former was represented by Assistant Secrelary McCormick. Nothing was done in regard to foreign appointments.

SENATOR BLAINE left Washington yesterday morning for Trenton, N. J, where one of his sons is at college. He will proceed thence to Woodstock, Conn., where he

THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW.-In accordance with the recent decision of the Supreme Court, officers in charge of public work have been directed to make contracts and have the work performed upon the basis of ten hours to a day's work, and all persons who desire to work eight hours will be paid for that number of hours only.

LOOK OUT FOR THE FRAUD.-A man who calls himself James T. Porter has been representing himself as an officer of the secret service division of the Treasury, and imposing upon U. S. Commissioners by inducing them to employ him in working up cases, and when he had a warrant out for arrest would use it to induce the culprit to divy, and then jump. He was last heard of in Harrisburg where he was practicing his frauds. He is being looked after.

PERSONAL .- A letter received from Mr. W. W. Corcoran, at Eock Enon Springs, Va., states that his health has considerably im. roved since his al Wadleigh, of New Hampshire, arrived in the city last evening, and will remain for a few days.Gen. Ellis Spear, Commis-sicner of Patents, who has been indisposed for a few days, is again on duty. Secretary Evarts returned to the city this morn-

ARMY ORDERS .- Col. Jos. Roberts, 4th artillery, having served faithfully until be is over 62 years of age, embracing 42 years' continuous service, is, by direction of the President, retired from active service. He is relieved from his present duties and will proceed home. The resignation of First Lieut Geo. R. Griffith, 10th infantry, has been accepted, to take effect July 1, 1877. Leave of absence for one year, with permissions. sion to go beyond the sea, is granted Major J. J. Upbam, 5th cavalry, to take effect THE NEW POSTAL CARDS .- The Ameri-

can Phototype Company, of New York, to whom the contract for supplying the posta' cards was awarded yesterday applied for an extension of ten days, before commencing the delivery of the cards. Yesterday was the dry designated for the delivery. Postmasters General Key has extend dethe time for the en days asked. He was some time ago a litt'eapprehensive that the Phototype Com rany would not be able to proc ed with the contract on time, and in order to preven any e mbarrassment to the public he ordered om the old contractors several million cards which are now on hand.

THE APPROPRIATION for the support of the navy during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1878, amounting in the aggregate to nearly \$13,000,000, became available yesterday, and officers of the navy, all of whom have not received their pay during the past three mouths, will after this date be paid as usual, but they cannot receive the back pay due them for April, May and June, until Congress shall make an appropriation for that purpose. Paymasters have already sent in their requisitions for funds out of the new appropriation so as to be able to meet all demands made upon them, and they are being honored at the department as fast as

OUR FINANCIAL CONDITION IMPROVING The debt statement for June, issued yesterday, shows a very flattering state of the public finances, as compared with the corresponding peried of last year. Within the year the principal of the public debt has been decreased \$39,281,121.73, and the interest account a little less than two million per annum. There has been a decrease in the volume of legal tender notes outstanding of ten million. and the currency balance in the Treasury is over \$3,000,000 greater than it was one year ago; the coin balance in the Treasury June 30th, 1876, less coin certificates, was \$45,000,000. yesterday it was \$74,600,000—an increase of \$79,000,000. The fractional currency has been reduced over \$13,000,000. Secretary Sherman, before leaving the city yesterday, expressed gratification at the more than healthy condi-tion of the national finances, and said that resumption of specie payments on the 1st of January, 1879, would now be an easy ac-complishment.

NAVAL ORDERS .- Passed Assistant Sur geon Geo. P. Bradley, ordered to the Hariford, at Norfolk, Va., 12th instant; Passed Assistant Surgeon Jas. H. Gaines, to duty in the bureau of surgery, Washington, D. C.; M. dical Inspector Philip S. Wales, detached from special duty at Washington, D. C., on the 10th instant, and ordered to the Powhatan, and as fleet surgeon of the north At-lantic squadron, 20th iustant; Medical Inspector Richard C. Dean, from the Bartford on the 6th instant, and ordered to special duty in attending officers of the navy yard marine corps, at Washington, 10th instant; Surgeon C. H. Burbank, from the Powhatan on the 20th instant, and placed on waiting orders; Passed Assistant Surgeon W. S. Dixon, from the bureau of medicine, &c., and ordered to the Powhatan on the 10th instant; Pay Inspector Edward May, from the Hartford, and as fleet paymaster of the north Atlantic station on the 26th instant, and ordered to settle accounts; Paymaster A. J. Pritchard, from the Powhatan on the 26th instant, and ordered to settle accounts.

THE MEXICAN SITUATION .- The arrival in this city of General Mata, armed with credentials as an ambassador to the United States, accredited to the Diaz government. has revived to some extent the sensations rumors heretofore extensively circulated that this government is auxious to acquire by cession the five norihern states of Mexico. Mata was at the State department yesterday and again to-day. He, of course, is received only informally, and will not be recognized as the Mexican minister until the Cabinet decide upon the merits of his claims. There is no doubt that a party of recognized to the cabinet decide upon the merits of his claims. speculators, adventurers and filiburers, are anxious to have the government wink at a series of predatory incursions into Mexico, the hope of the leaders being that a combination can be made with the followers of Lerdo and effect the overthrow of Diaz and Lerdo's and effect the overthrow of Diaz and Lerdo's restoration to the presidency of the distracted republic. The restoration to power would be Lerdo's reward for combining with such a movement, and the acquisition of valuable silver lands seems to be the incentive which impels those who want a fill-bustering exp. lition. It is not believed that this government is anxious to have a slice of Mexico, and that moreover it will not, directly or indirectly, give countenance to any revolutionary movement against Mexico, fitted up and equipped on this side of the Rio Grande.

THE RESIGNATION of S. W. Marcy, who has been collector of customs at Newport, R. I., for many years, was. at his own request. accepted to day, and Frederick A. Pratt ap-

MANDAMUS REFUSED IN COL. CRAIG'S LAND CASE .- In the above-mentioned case. in an application for a mandamus to require the Commissioner of the General Land office to re-examine the claim of Col. Craig in the nature of an appeal, Judge Humphreys to-day dismissed the petition and denied the prayer of the petitioner for a rule to show

HOW THE IOWA MATTER IS CONSTRUED. A member of the Cabinet said last night that the administration did not interpret the failure of the Iowa republican convention to pass a resolution commending the policy of President Hayes as an attack upon the President. Had it been so intended he thought a resolution would have been a lopted dependent of the population would have been a lopted dependent of the continue of the population would have been a lopted dependent of the continue of the population would have been a lopted dependent of the continue of the nouncing the southern policy, which would have been succeptible of more significance than the refusal of the convention by resolution to endorse it.

A LIVELY CONTEST is going on for the Prazilian mission, which has been promised to the south. The prominent candidates are Attorney General Harris, of Mississippi, who is 'hought to have the best chance, and Judge Levisser, of Louisiana. The latter went to Louisiana from New York about fifteen years ago. The Belgian mission is still in dispute. The friends of Gen. Burbridge, of Kentucky, thought it was fixed all right for him, but somehow the appointments hangs fire, and now H. S. Sanford is looking up again.

No ROOM FOR THEM .- There not having been a sufficient number of vacancies in the army to assign all the graduates of the class of 1877 to the full grade of 2d lieutenant, 30 bave been assigned under the law, embodied in section 1,213, rev. stat., to the rank of additional lieutenants, and will be promoted to s expected to take part in the 4th of July | be 2d lieutenants as rapidly as vacancies occur. It is already understood that five or six vacancies now exist, to which as many additional lieutenants will in a few days be appointed. Probably all the additional lieutenants will be promoted before Decem-

THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT. - The board of army engineers, composed of Lieutenant Colonels Kurtz, Gillmore, and Duane. have reported upon a plan for so securing the foundation of the Washington monument as ') permit its construction to the originally intended height of 485 feet. The report is now before the President for his consideration. The plan recommended consists in confining the bed of compressible soil beneath the foundation, by a circular wall of concrete masonry, firmly bound with iron hoops, so that there can be no yielding of this bcd in a lateral direction. The plan is considered in every respect feasible, and can be executed at the moderate cost of \$55,000.

"Mr. F. B. Hunt, of Richmond. Indiana, has filed

second series of charges against Commissioner Spear, of the Patent office, alieging corrup ion, &c. The Commissioner treats the matter lightly; says Hunt was guilty of gross irregularity, if not something worse, in his practice, and that he circulated a scurrilous pamphlet against him, the Commissioner, for all of which Hunt was disbarred. Gen. Spear says he is ready, in fact eager to meet and disprove Hunt's charges." I wish to call the attention of your readers

to the fac.s. I have not filed a second series of charges against Spear, though I am in-formed, and believe, that other charges are pending against h'm. I was disbarred, unlawfully and arbitrarily, without notice, without a hearing, and without charges being preferred against r e, and I do not now know, except from hearsay, the reasons for his action. The gross rregu trities Spear refers to, corsisted in respectfully demanding my lawful rights as a patentee, and in his complying with the requirements of law. I charge him with violating law and established precedent abusing the confidence of the President of the United States, and deceiving the Hon Secretary of the Interior, by which he obtained his verbal assent to disbar me, and many other charges of like nature.

Yours respectfully, F. B. HUNT. New Works at the Corcoran Gallery of Art. BIERST! DT'S MOUNT CORCORAN-MAY-NARD'S " 76," &C. Some new works now on exhibition at this

gallery will repay a visit even in this hot

First among them as a novelty is a large view in the Sierra Nevada mountains, Cali-fornia, by Bierstadt. In the distance is Mount Corcoran (named in honor of the founder of this gallery), whose rocky splintered peaks embosoming masses of eternal snow, rise to a height of nearly 19,000 feet. Masses of gray cumulus clouds roll athwart the breast and base of the mountain, but beneath them on the left a burst of sunlight di closes the shelving shore, and out of the bosom of this vapor a silvery cascade leaps downward to a small lake that fills the center of the picture with its beautiful green expanse, save where its waters are moved into g. ay ripples by the rising wind. On the right a level point extends into the lake, and from it towers upward a grove of the enormous pines of California—superbly painted—their bases in transparent shadow and their lofty tops finely relieved against the varors swathing the mountain's breast. From this point the shore curves to a bold foreground of rocks and trees half submerged. Nothing can be finer than the finished transparency of this shoal water, the receding indistinct-ness of stumps and pebbles, among which trout are seen floating. The sentiment of primeval solitude is given to the scene by the solitiry bear (admirably painted) making his way over the sunny beach for a drink or a bath in the pure lake. Tais picture is a powerful example of Bierstadt's best style, and is declared by those familiar with the region to be in all respects true to nature. The next work is the noble subject of " '76"

by George C. Maynard, a native of Washington, and son of Dr. E. Maynard. It is familiar to many Centennial visitors, as was first exhibited in Memorial Hall last year, but being hung in a corridor, it never was seen there to the advantage it now enys in one of the spacious galleries of the "Corcoran," "76" represents a three-quarter length of a young volunteer of the revolution, fully accounted in buff and blue, a musket thrown over his right shoulder, and with his left hand clasping the pire tree flag of Massachusetts. The general position is easy and untheatrical. The face of the young volunteer shows the genius of the artist. It is not of a rough common soldier, or of a mercenary bounty-man. There is a quiet honesty and mildress in the face, which with the bands grasping flag and musket, suggests that he has just left the plouga or anvil, but the firm mouth and bold chin show him to be one of the lads who would defend him to be one of the lads who would defend his flag to the last, or endure the privations of Valley Forge. The execution of the work shows the artist's training in drawing and color, in the best French school. He is now pursuing his studies in Europe, where, judging by the onception of his "76," and the skill in handling it, he cannot

A REDUCTION five cents per hundred on fourth class freignt to New York went into effect at St. Louis ye terday on all trunk lines, and a reduction of eleven cents on bulk meats. Live stock was also reduced five cents per hundred to New York, Buffalo and Pittaburg—the rate established being 60 cents to New York and 35 cents to Buffalo and Pittsburg.

MURDER ON THE HIGH SEAS .- A colored man named Stephen Burrell, a native of Virginia, has been lodged in jail in Philadelphia, charged with having murdered Jas. B. Jones, first mate of the schooner A. HeaTWO CENTS.

THE RUSSIAN ADVANCE.

Telegrams to The Star.

Good Troops But Bad Generalship. GEN. GRANT IN ENGLAND.

Address to British Workingmen.

PRESIDENT GRANT. His Speech to the British Working-

London, July 3.-A deputation of forty men, each repre enting a different trade, and representing alto ether about 1,000,000 English workingmen, waited on ex-President Grant at Consul General Badeau's house to day, and presented him an address welcoming him to England, and assuring him of their good wishes and deep regard for the welfare and progress of America, where Briti. h workmen nad always found a welcome. Impromptu speeches were then made by various member; of the deputation, all of which were extremely cordial. General Grant replied as follows: "In the name of my country I thank you

for the address you have presented to me. I feel it a great compliment paid my government and one to me personally. Since my arrival on British soil I have received great attentions, which were intended, I feel sure. In the same way for my country. I have had ovations, see hand shakings and presentations from different classes; from the government, from the controlling authorities of cities, and have beer received in the cities by the populace, out there has been no reception which I am prouder of than this to-day. I recognize the act that whatever there is of greatness in the United States, as indeed in any other country, indue to labor. The laborer is the author of all greatness and wealth; without labor there would be no government or no leading class, or nothing to preserve. With us labor is regarded as highly respectable. When it is not so regarded, it is because man dishonors labor. We recognize that labor dishonors no manand no matter what a man's occupation is, he is eligible to fill any post in the gift of the people; his occupation is not considered in selecting him, whether as a law-maker or as an executor of the law. Now, gentle-men, in conclusion, all I can do is to renew my thanks for the address, and repeat what have said before, that I have received nothing from any class since my arrival which has given me more pleasure.

After the speech there was an informal exchange of courtesies, and the deputation then withdrew. Gen. Grant has finally con-cluded that he will not at present go to Paris. He will go to Bussels on Thursday, will visit Germany and Switzerland, will recurn down THE CHARGES AGAINST COMMISSIONER
SPEAR.—Editor Star:—In your issue of yesterday (July 2) appears an article in which terday (July 2) appears an article in which est in Great Britain, making London his

> THE FATE OF TURKEY. The Russians Slow But Sure. London, July 3.—A Simnitza dispatch to

the Daily News and Times Bucharest dispatch remarks upon the dilatory tactics of the Russians since they crossed the Danube. The Times' dispatch says the position they occupy is fortunately admirable for defence, and the time allowed them by the Turks has enabled them to bring up men and guns enough to defend it. For two days the situation was critical, but now by occupying the hills in force the Russians have practically gained an immense bridge head. Putting the British Fleet Where It

Will Do the Most Good. London, July 3.—Concerning the dispatch of the fleet to Besika bay, the supporters of the government say that the Mediterranean fleet is for the representation and protection of British interests, and it should be nowhere so properly statio ed as in the vicin ity where its presence is Liost useful. Those who doubt the pacific declarations of the government argue from this movement that the intention is to keep the Russians out of Constantinople by force if necessary. Bad Generalship of the Russians

The Daily News' correspondent at Simultza, who is strongly pre Russian, sharply criticizes the recent operations. He says the retreating Turks were not promptly followed, and, though the crossing was effected on Wednesday, it was only on Saturday that Gen. S. Kobeleff, jr.'s, Cossacks went to learn the whereabouts of the Turks. Meantime the bridge was incomplete and the Russian force was liable to an attack in the flank from Rustehuk and Nikopolis, access flank from Rustchuk and Nikopolis; access from Siminitza to the place of embarkation was suffered to remain a difficult track down a steep bluff, and no attempt was made to improve the communications. The troops on the Turkish bank are living precarlously a general's dinner has to be sent from his baggage wagon on this side. There is no accumulation of provisions or ammunition at Sistova. The sanitary arrangements of the Russian camp are conspicuous by their absence. The atmosphere of Sininitza is poisonous, and the water supply abominable. The correspondent draws a damaging com-parison with the Germans in the foregoing particulars, and says a finer army than the Russian was never seen, but its very fine ness makes more conspicuous defective tae tics, methods and arrangements.

Death of Professor Smith.

BALTIMORE, July 3.—Prof. Nathan R.
Smith, the distinguished surgeon and medical practitioner, died this morning at his residence on Saratoga street, in the sist year of his age. For many years he has been the acknowledged head of the profession in this city, and up to within a few years past was in full practice. As a citizen no one was more respected. The deceased was a native of Cornish, New Hampshire. In 1825 he was appointed Professor of Surgery and Anato-my in the University of Vermont, and or-ganized the medical school of that institution. In 18.7 he accepted the chair of surgery in the medical department of the University of Maryland which he filled for many years. He was well-known as a writer in various medical journals and published a volumi nous work on the surgical anatomy of the arteries, which was well received in this country and Europe, and went through several editions.

Crooked Whisky and Crooked Hogs. New York, July 3.—In Yadkin county, N. C., last week, the revenue officers made n. C., last week, the revenue officers made a raid and found 30 stills, some of them very large, three still running at their fullest capacity, and captured 78 hogs, 20 of them weighing 200 pounds each. Several barrels of whisky were destroyed for lack of wazons to haul it to some safe place. The distillers got wind of the approach of the officers, and they took to the mountains, and no prisoners were taken. There was no opposition and no disturbance.

Death of a Journa'st. NEW YORK, July 3.—Senor Conto, for a long time connected with the Spanish paper El Cronista, died yesterday.

He is now pursuing his studies in Europe, where, judging by the onception of his "76," and the skill in handling it, he cannot fail by his future works, to copfer further honor on his art and on his country.

Another excellent work on exhibition is a copy of Healy's portrait of the late Chief Justice Taney by Miss Strong, daughter of Justice Strong of the Supreme Court. The vigorous style of Healy is well rendered by the copyist, and the strong points of the likeness all preserved. This copy is for sale, and it would be well for the bar of this city to secure it as an ornament to the court room.

The Gallery has jrd placed in the bronze hall a superb electrotype reproduction in Fictile ivory, by Elking on of Birmingham, of the famous "Bernard Strauss Tankard," If the century. A copy in bronze was purchased some time ago, but as the original was of carved ivory, this new copy in Fictile ivory is an exact imitation of it, and therefore is of more interest.

A Reduction five cents per hundred on fourth class freight to New York went into effect at St. Louis ye_terday on all trunk lines, and a reduction of eleven cents on bulk meats. Live stock was also reduced five cents per hundred to New York, Buffalo and Pittsburg—the rate established being 60 better.
London, July 3, 12:30 p. m —Consols 34 5-16 for money and the account. U. S. bonds, 1869 s., 166%; ten-forties, 102%. Hew York Central, 87. Illinois Central, 52%.
LIVERPOOL, July 3, 2 p. m.—Cheese. 53s. for American. Breadstuffs quiet and steady except for corn, which is firmer. Corn, 24s.3d.a24s.6d. for new mixed western.

The Iowa Democratic State Convention is to be held in Marshalltown, on Wednesday, Aug. 29.

ing a good d'al of excitement in that c'ty. WILKINS ASKED TO STEP DOWN AND OUT It appears that on the 22d of June last, Secretary Sherman w.ote a letter to Collector Wilkins stating that he (the Secretary) was directed by the President to say that under all the circum tances, after the suffest consideration and reconsideration c be matter he collector of customs at Ba imore, be had made up his mind that it was his duty to restore Mr. John L. Thomas to that place, and the Secretary added, "I know he (the Presiden.) does this with sincere respect for your character and positios." The letter closed with a request for Wilkins' resignation on July 1st.

The Baltimore Custom House Fight. MOFE LIGHT ON THE MATTER.

The Baltimore custo n-house war is creat-

WILKINS WON'T.
Collector Wilkins replied June 30th, saying that in August last, without solicitation on his part, he was appointed collector of cus-toms at Balt more, and received a commis-sion which states that his term of office would continue for four years from its date, adding: "Your letter gives me the gratifying assurance of the President's sincere respect for my character, and I appeal to the records of your department for the evidence of my satisfactory performance of official duties Under such circumstances, and in view o repeated statements in the public papers, am compelled to believe that in requesting my resignation the President has a sted under grave misapprehensions of fact in connec tion with my appointment to and Mr Thomas' removal from the collectorship The suddenness of this action deprived me of the opport mity to refute these allegations which involve my personal character, and I would be wanting in self-respect if by com-plying with the request of the President I seemed in the least degree to admit the truth fulness of statements of interested parties which I am abundantly able to disprove." He closed by sincerely regretting his inability to comply with the request.

WHAT MR. FULTON SAID.

It appears that Mr. Fulton, the editor of the Baltimore American, wrote a letter to the President in support of the claims of Mr. Thomas, in which he (Fulton) set forth that Wilkirs was appointed by President Grant with the understanding that when Grant's term expired he was to give way to Mr. Thomas. Mr. Fulton sets forth in his letter that when Thomas was succeeded by the former collector, Washington Booth, that President Grant had of his own volition assured him that he would ask Mr. Booth to resign and appoint Mr. Thomas, admitting that he had done the latter great injustice and was desirous of undoing A CONTRADICTION FROM EX-PRESIDENT

To contradict this latter statement Mr Booth telegraphed Gen. Grant in London as follows :

General U.S. Grant, London: Did you tell Fulton that you would ask me to resign, so that you might appoint John L. Thomas, Important. WASHINGTON BOOTH. Gen. Grant's reply is as follows: Booth, Baltimore, America: Misrepresenta-tion. Letter by mail. GRANT.

WILKINS HOLDS THE PORT. The Balti more Amer an of to-day ays that Collector Wilkins was in his office during yesterday, and transacted busines as usual. The reporters found no difficulty in gaining access to his office and were kindly received but with the information always that he had nothing new to communicate. Being pressed a little, however, he informed the American representative that he intended to contest the issue to the bitter end. "You are go.ng to carry your case into the Senate then?" queried the reporter. "Carry it into the Senate!" said the Colonel, raising his voice: "ye3, sir; I am going to carry it into the Senate. When, however, Mr. Thomas appears with his commission I will yield up the office to him at once."

CANAL MATTERS-The Blockade .- Bustness on the canal is nearly at a stand-still, owing to the blockade near Sir John's Run. Only two boats, carry 230.11 tons of coal, were despatched from this port Saturday. One was the A. Gruler, with 113.09 tons of shipped by the Despard Coal company.

The blockade near Sir John's Run was

maintained until yesterday afternoon, when Sheriff Mayberry, of Washington county, went to the scene and commanded the boatmen in the name of the law to clear the canal. After some remonstrance they so, and a few loaded boats, bound for Wil-liamsport, and thirteen empty boats, bound for this port, passed through. The captains and crews of the departing boats were threatened, and captains of the light boats warned not to load at less than \$1 per ton freight. Gentlemen from the scene of the blockade last evening report that a passage was cleared as above stated, but that the blockede is by no means permanently broken, and say that it will this morning be found to be in the same condition that it was Satur-

DINNER TO SECRETARY ROBESON .- A public dinner was given to Hon. George M. Robeson, at Trenton, N. J., last evening. Among the guests were Senator Blaine and Representative Sinnickson and Gen. Kilpatrick. Hon. Thos. N. McCartee presided. Toasts were drunk to Gen. Grant, to President Hayes, and to Congress. Mr. Robeson spoke mainly in defense of his administration of the navy, and insisted that its condition now was better than it ever was. He defended republicanism, especially as it was administer 1 by Gen. Grant. Nothing was said in reference to the present administration except by implication. The maintenance of the party intact was strongly urged.

AN OLD SOLDIER'S STICIDE .- George Williams, formerly a saloon keeper in this city, committed suicide Monday, at his brother's place, nine miles north of here, by taking strychnine. He has long been afflicted with an old wound received in the battle of Kenesaw Mountain. The wound has never bealed, and he was a constant sufferer from it, which kept him in low spirits. He had been unsuccessful in his efforts to secure a pension, and a short time since went into the saloon business here and failed .- [Missouri Brunswicker.

DEPRAVITY OF A MILLIONAIRE'S GRANDson.—Oakley Barkey, a grandson of Com-modore Vanderbilt, has been lock if up in default of \$1,000 bail, in New York, charged with stealing a \$200 watch and chain from Lizzie Weeks. The prisoner made no statement. The detectives have worked up two other charges against him—one for stealing three overcoats and a pair of pants at a boarding house, and another for stealing a gold chain.

THE SITUATION IN FRANCE .- Some of the French municipal councils are being dissolved for taking part in a reception of Gambetta. The elections, it has been determined, will take place in September. President MacMahon told the troops on the occasion of the review at Long Champ that he felt sure they would aid him in maintaining respect for the government and the law in the fulfillment of the mission entrusted to him.

SHIP ON FIRE.—The ship Gov. Morton, from New Orleans for Grimsby, with 4,600 bales of cotton and 1,200 staves, took fire yesterday at Southwest Pass and was scuttled. The vessel and cargo were valued at \$250,000. Two-thirds of the cargo will be saved, damaged. The ship was owned in Boston. WITH his old-time incertitude and pro-crastinating habits, ex-Governor Tilden is in doubt whether to go to Europe or not. He

has, at all events, concluded to be on the safe side, and has given up the cabin he had engaged in to-day's steamer .- [Friday's Al-RACES AT CHESTER PARK .- At the Ches-

ter Park (Cincinnati) races, yesterday, the trial for horses of the 2:45 class was won by Lady Fleming—best time 2:30. The pacing race was won by Bay Sally; Sleepy Tom second, and Billy C. third—time, 2:22%, 2:25, 2:26.

THEY ALL WANT TO Go.—Grant's big reception in England is sending our great men to the old world by scores. Within a week both Hendricks and Conkling have gone, and Eli Perkins is turning the matter over in his alleged mind.—[Memphis Avalanche.

GEN. GRANT paid brief visits to both houses of parliament yesterday, occupying a position near the throne in the house of lords, and being accommodated with a seat in the gallery of the house of commons provided for distinguished visitors.

THE NEW YORK TAX BOOKS for 1877 show the valuation of real estate in that city this year at \$895,063,933, against \$892,287,015 last year. The valuation of personal estate this year is \$206,028,160, against \$218,626,179 last

JUDGE HILTON has occupied attention so exclusively for the past few days, that Mr. Moody has not been brought to judgment for trying to exclude the Unitarians from temperance organizations because they are not Christians.—[Burlington Hawkeye.

Chicago, yesterday, the running race, one and one-eighth miles, was won by Light-ning, Adventure second. Time, 1:51. During the race the rider of Borule Belle was thrown and killed.

THE CHICAGO RACES .- At Dexter Park,

resolved to reduce the police force of that eity from two hundred and thirty-six to one hundred and twenty men.

The Royal Canadian Insurance Company has been suspended from doing business in New York state on account of impairment of capital by the St. Johns' fre.